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Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, S W Room TW-A325 Washington, D C 20554 OCT 24 2002

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Re: In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors. CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45

Dear Ms Dortch:

I am writing to nominate a representative to the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") Board of Directors for competitive local exchange carriers, in response to the Wireline Competition Bureau's Public Notice seeking nominations.

The Association for Local Telecommunications Services ("ALTS") renominates David R. Conn, Deputy General Counsel and Vice President with McLeodUSA, to the position currently held by Mr. Conn. Attached is Mr. Conn's biographical information. McLeodUSA is a facilities-based carrier providing competitive local and long distance services in 25 states in the central and western United States. Mr. Conn is an active participant on the ALTS Operating Board and has served on the FCC Joint Board Rural Task Force on Universal Service. Since Mr. Conn currently serves on the USAC Board, his ongoing active representation of the interests of the CLEC community in that capacity would be an asset to the Board.

Thank you in advance for your consideration **of** this request. Please accept the late filing of this nomination as if timely filed. Because Mr. Conn was recently appointed to his position on the Board this past summer, ALTS was initially unaware that his name would need to be resubmitted in response *to* the Commission's Public Notice.

Sincerely,

John Windhausen, Jr.

Cc: Sheryl Todd (2)

I Wireline Competition Bureau Seeks Nominations for Six Board Member Positions on Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21, **DA** 02-2206 (rel. September 9,2002).

David R. Conn

David Conn is Deputy General Counsel and Vice President, with McLeodUSA Incorporated in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and has primary responsibility for public policy, state and federal regulatory affairs, and legal support for the telecommuncations operations of the company and its subsidiaries. McLeodUSA and its subsidiaries provide integrated competitive local and long-distance telecommunications services to business and residential customers in a target footprint of 25 states in central and western United States. As of December 31, 2001, McLeodUSA provided competitive local telephone service to over 450,000 customers, including over 230,000 residential customers. These customers are currently served through a combination of resale, unbundled network elements purchased from incumbent providers, and McLeodUSA's own local loop facilities. McLeodUSA currently operates 60 local and long distance voice switches, and 42 ATM and frame relay switches, and has a fiber optic network of over 31,000 route miles.

Prior to joining McLeodUSA in October 1994, Mr. Conn was the lead telecommunications attorney for the Iowa Office of Consumer Advocate, spending 16 years involved in telecommunications, electric, and natural gas rates and policy. While with the Iowa OCA, Mr. Conn was active on the NASUCA Telecommunications Committee, and presented testimony to the United States Congress on behalf of NASUCA on privacy issues related to Caller Identification service. Mr. Conn serves on the Board of Directors of the Competition Policy Institute, is on the Operating Board of the Association for Local Telecommunications Services, and served on the FCC Joint Board Rural Task Force on Universal Service. Mr. Conn hold BA, MA, and JD degrees from the University of Iowa.